

# IMPLICATIONS OF THE HASSE PRINCIPLE FOR ZERO CYCLES OF DEGREE ONE ON PRINCIPAL HOMOGENEOUS SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $k$  be a perfect field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$ . Let  $G$  be a connected linear algebraic group over  $k$  such that  $G^{sc}$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$ . Let  $X$  be a principal homogeneous space under  $G$  over  $k$ . We show that if  $X$  admits a zero cycle of degree one, then  $X$  has a  $k$ -rational point.

## INTRODUCTION

The following question of Serre [11, pg 192] is open in general.

**Q:** Let  $k$  be a field and  $G$  a connected linear algebraic group defined over  $k$ . Let  $X$  be a principal homogeneous space under  $G$  over  $k$ . Suppose  $X$  admits a zero cycle of degree one, does  $X$  have a  $k$ -rational point?

Let  $k$  be a number field, let  $V$  be the set of places of  $k$  and let  $k_v$  denote the completion of  $k$  at a place  $v$ . We say that a connected linear algebraic group  $G$  defined over  $k$  satisfies a *Hasse principle* over  $k$  if the map  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in V} H^1(k_v, G)$  is injective. Let  $V_r$  denote the set of real places of  $k$ . If  $G$  is simply connected, then by a theorem of Kneser, the Hasse principle reduces to injectivity of the maps  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in V_r} H^1(k_v, G)$ . That this result holds is a theorem due to Kneser, Harder and Chernousov [4], [5], [6]. Sansuc used this Hasse principle to show that **Q** has positive answer for number fields.

Let  $k$  be any field and  $\Omega$  the set of orderings of  $k$ . For  $v \in \Omega$  let  $k_v$  denote the real closure of  $k$  at  $v$ . We say that a connected linear algebraic group  $G$  defined over  $k$  satisfies a *Hasse principle* over  $k$  if the map  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^1(k_v, G)$  is injective. It is a conjecture of Colliot-Thélène [2, pg 652] that a simply connected semisimple group satisfies a Hasse principle over a perfect field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$ . Bayer and Parimala [2] have given a proof in the case where  $G$  is of classical type, type  $F_4$  and type  $G_2$ .

Our goal in this paper is to extend Sansuc's result by providing a positive answer to **Q** when  $k$  is a perfect field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$  and  $G^{sc}$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$ . More precisely, we prove the following:

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**Theorem 0.1.** *Let  $k$  be a perfect field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$ . Let  $\{L_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  be a set of finite field extensions of  $k$  such that the greatest common divisor of the degrees of the extensions  $[L_i : k]$  is 1. Let  $G$  be a connected linear algebraic group over  $k$ . If  $G^{\text{sc}}$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$ , then the canonical map*

$$H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^m H^1(L_i, G)$$

*has trivial kernel.*

We obtain the following as a corollary:

**Corollary 0.2.** *Let  $k$  be a perfect field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$ . Let  $\{L_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  be a set of finite field extensions of  $k$  such that the greatest common divisor of the degrees of the extensions  $[L_i : k]$  is 1. Let  $G$  be a connected linear algebraic group over  $k$ . If the simple factors of  $G^{\text{sc}}$  are of classical type, type  $F_4$  or type  $G_2$  then the canonical map*

$$H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^m H^1(L_i, G)$$

*is injective.*

Sansuc's proof of a positive answer to **Q** over number fields relies on the surjectivity of the map  $H^1(k, \mu) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in V_r} H^1(k_v, \mu)$  for  $\mu$  a finite commutative group scheme. This result is a consequence of the Chebotarev density theorem and does not extend to a general field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$ . Even in the case  $\mu = \mu_2$ , the surjectivity of the map  $H^1(k, \mu) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^1(k_v, \mu)$  imposes severe conditions on  $k$  like the SAP property. The main content of this paper is to replace the arithmetic in Sansuc's paper with a norm principle over a real closed field.

## 1. ALGEBRAIC GROUPS

In this section, we review some well-known facts from the theory of algebraic groups and define some notation used in the remainder of the work.

Let  $k$  be a field. An *algebraic group*  $G$  over  $k$  is a smooth group scheme of finite type. A surjective morphism of algebraic groups with finite kernel is called an *isogeny* of algebraic groups. An isogeny  $G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  is said to be *central* if its kernel is a central subgroup of  $G_1$ .

An *algebraic torus* is an algebraic group  $T$  such that  $T(\bar{k})$  is isomorphic to a product of multiplicative groups  $G_{m, \bar{k}}$ . A torus  $T$  is said to be *quasitrivial* if it is a product of groups of the form  $R_{E_i/k} G_m$  where  $\{E_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq r}$  is a family of finite field extensions of  $k$ .

An algebraic group  $G$  is called *linear* if it is isomorphic to a closed subgroup of  $GL_n$  for some  $n$ , or equivalently, if its underlying algebraic variety is affine. Of particular interest among connected linear algebraic groups are semisimple groups and reductive groups.

A connected linear algebraic group is called *semisimple* if it has no nontrivial, connected, solvable, normal subgroups. A semisimple group  $G$  is said to be *simply connected* if every central isogeny  $G' \rightarrow G$  is an isomorphism. We can associate to any semisimple group a simply connected group  $\tilde{G}$  (unique up to isomorphism)

such that there is a central isogeny  $\tilde{G} \rightarrow G$ . We refer to  $\tilde{G}$  as the *simply connected cover* of  $G$ .

Any simply connected semisimple group is a product of simply connected simple algebraic groups [7, Theorem 26.8]. Any simple algebraic group belongs to one of four infinite families  $A_n, B_n, C_n, D_n$  or is of type  $E_6, E_7, E_8, F_4$  or  $G_2$  (see for example [7, §26]). A simple group which is of type  $A_n, B_n, C_n$  or  $D_n$  but not of type triality  $D_4$  is said to be a *classical group*. All other simple groups are called *exceptional groups*.

A connected linear algebraic group is called *reductive* if it has no nontrivial, connected, unipotent, normal subgroups. Given a connected linear algebraic group  $G$ , the *unipotent radical* of  $G$  denoted  $G^u$  is the maximal connected unipotent normal subgroup of  $G$ . It is clear that  $G/G^u$  is always a reductive group. We denote  $G/G^u$  by  $G^{\text{red}}$ . The commutator subgroup of  $G^{\text{red}}$  is a semisimple group which we denote  $G^{ss}$ . We denote the simply connected cover of  $G^{ss}$  by  $G^{sc}$ .

A *special covering* of a reductive group  $G$  is an isogeny

$$1 \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow G_0 \times S \rightarrow G \rightarrow 1$$

where  $G_0$  is a simply connected semisimple algebraic  $k$ -group and  $S$  is a quasitrivial  $k$ -torus. Given a reductive group  $G$  there exists an integer  $n$  and a quasitrivial torus  $T$  such that  $G^n \times T$  admits a special covering [9, Lemme 1.10].

## 2. GALOIS COHOMOLOGY AND ZERO CYCLES

For our convenience, we will discuss  $\mathbf{Q}$  in the context of Galois Cohomology. We briefly review some of the notions from Galois Cohomology we will use and then restate  $\mathbf{Q}$  in this setting.

Let  $k$  be a field and  $\Gamma_k = \text{Gal}(\bar{k}/k)$  be the absolute Galois group of  $k$ . For an algebraic  $k$ -group  $G$ , let  $H^i(k, G) = H^i(\Gamma_k, G(\bar{k}))$  denote the Galois Cohomology of  $G$  with the assumption  $i \leq 1$  if  $G$  is not abelian. For any  $k$ -group  $G$ ,  $H^0(k, G) = G(k)$  and  $H^1(k, G)$  is a pointed set which classifies the isomorphism classes of principal homogeneous spaces under  $G$  over  $k$ . The point in  $H^1(k, G)$  corresponds to the principal homogeneous space with rational point. We will interchangeably denote the point in  $H^1(k, G)$  by *point* or 1.

Each  $\Gamma_k$ -homomorphism  $f : G \rightarrow G'$  induces a functorial map  $H^i(k, G) \rightarrow H^i(k, G')$  which we shall also denote by  $f$ . Given an exact sequence of  $k$ -groups,

$$1 \longrightarrow G_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} G_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} G_3 \rightarrow 1$$

there exists a connecting map  $\delta_0 : G_3(k) \rightarrow H^1(k, G_1)$  such that the following is an exact sequence of pointed sets.

$$G_1(k) \xrightarrow{f_1} G_2(k) \xrightarrow{f_2} G_3(k) \xrightarrow{\delta_0} H^1(k, G_1) \xrightarrow{f_1} H^1(k, G_2) \xrightarrow{f_2} H^1(k, G_3)$$

If  $G_1$  is central in  $G_2$ , there is in addition a connecting map  $\delta_1 : H^1(k, G_3) \rightarrow H^2(k, G_1)$  such that the following is an exact sequence of pointed sets.

$$G_3(k) \xrightarrow{\delta_0} H^1(k, G_1) \xrightarrow{f_1} H^1(k, G_2) \xrightarrow{f_2} H^1(k, G_3) \xrightarrow{\delta_1} H^2(k, G_1)$$

Given a field extension  $L$  of  $k$ ,  $\text{Gal}(\bar{k}/L) \subset \text{Gal}(\bar{k}/k)$  and there is a restriction homomorphism  $\text{res} : H^1(k, G) \rightarrow H^1(L, G)$ . If  $G$  is a commutative group, and if the degree of  $L$  over  $k$  is finite, there is also a corestriction homomorphism

$\text{cores} : H^1(L, G) \rightarrow H^1(k, G)$ . The composition  $\text{cores} \circ \text{res}$  is multiplication by the degree of  $L$  over  $k$ .

Let  $p$  be any prime number. The  $p$ -cohomological dimension of  $k$  is less than or equal to  $r$  (written  $\text{cd}_p(k) \leq r$ ) if  $H^n(k, A) = 0$  for every  $p$ -primary torsion  $\Gamma_k$ -module  $A$  and  $n > r$ . The cohomological dimension of  $k$  is less than or equal to  $r$  (written  $\text{cd}(k) \leq r$ ), if  $\text{cd}_p(k) \leq r$  for all primes  $p$ . Finally, the virtual cohomological dimension of  $k$ , written  $\text{vcd}(k)$  is precisely the cohomological dimension of  $k(\sqrt{-1})$ . If  $k$  is a field of positive characteristic then  $\text{vcd}(k) = \text{cd}(k)$ .

Let  $X$  be a scheme. For any closed point  $x \in X$ , let  $\mathcal{O}_x$  be the local ring at  $x$  and let  $\mathfrak{M}_x$  be its maximal ideal. The residue field of  $x$  written  $k(x)$  is  $\mathcal{O}_x/\mathfrak{M}_x$ . Zero cycles of  $X$  are elements of the free abelian group on closed points  $x \in X$ . We may associate to any zero cycle  $\sum n_i x_i$  on  $X$  its degree  $\sum n_i [k(x_i) : k]$  where  $k(x_i)$  is the residue field of  $x_i$ .

A closed point with residue field  $k$  is called a *rational point*. It is clear that if  $x$  is a closed point of a variety  $X$  over  $k$  then it is a rational point of  $X_{k(x)}$ . We have seen that the point in  $H^1(*, G)$  is the principal homogeneous space under  $G$  over  $*$  with a rational point. Therefore, a principal homogeneous space  $X$  under  $G$  over  $k$ , with zero cycle  $\sum n_i x_i$  is an element of the kernel of the product of the restriction maps  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod H^1(k(x_i), G)$ . If the zero cycle is of degree one, then the field extensions  $k(x_i)$  are necessarily of coprime degree over  $k$ .

Guided by this insight, one may restate **Q** as follows.

**Q:** Let  $k$  be a field and let  $G$  be a connected, linear algebraic group defined over  $k$ . Let  $\{L_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  be a collection of finite extensions of  $k$  with  $\gcd([L_i : k]) = 1$ . Does the canonical map

$$H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^m H^1(L_i, G)$$

have trivial kernel?

### 3. ORDERINGS OF A FIELD

We recall some basic properties of orderings of a field [10].

An *ordering*  $\nu$  of a field  $k$  is given by a binary relation  $\leq_\nu$  such that for all  $a, b, c \in k$ .

- $a \leq_\nu a$
- If  $a \leq_\nu b$  and  $b \leq_\nu c$  then  $a \leq_\nu c$
- If  $a \leq_\nu b$  and  $b \leq_\nu a$  then  $a = b$
- Either  $a \leq_\nu b$  or  $b \leq_\nu a$
- If  $a \leq_\nu b$  then  $a + c \leq_\nu b + c$
- If  $a \leq_\nu b$  and  $0 \leq_\nu c$  then  $ca \leq_\nu cb$

A field  $k$  which admits an ordering is necessarily of characteristic 0. If  $k$  is a field with an ordering  $\nu$ , an *algebraic extension* of the ordered field  $(k, \nu)$  is an algebraic field extension  $L$  of  $k$  together with an ordering  $\nu'$  on  $L$  such that  $\nu'$  restricted to  $k$  is  $\nu$ . If  $L$  is a finite field extension of  $k$  of odd degree there is always an algebraic extension  $(L, \nu')$  of  $(k, \nu)$  [10, Chapter 3, Theorem 1.10].

A field  $k$  is said to be *formally real* if  $-1$  is not a sum of squares in  $k$ . A field  $k$  is called a *real closed field* if it is a formally real field and no proper algebraic extension is formally real. There is a unique ordering  $\square$  on a real closed field. This

ordering is defined by the relation  $a \leq b$  if and only if  $b - a$  is a square in  $k$ . Further, if  $k$  is a real closed field, then  $k(\sqrt{-1})$  is algebraically closed [10, Theorem 2.3 (iii)].

If  $L$  is a finite field extension of  $k$ , then  $k_v \otimes L$  is isomorphic to a product of the form  $\prod k_v \prod k_v(\sqrt{-1})$ . Also, since  $k_v(\sqrt{-1})$  is an algebraic closure for  $k$  there is a natural inclusion  $\text{Gal}(\bar{k}, k_v) \subset \Gamma_k$  and thus a restriction map  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow H^1(k_v, G)$ .

#### 4. MAIN RESULT

In the discussion which follows we will need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $k$  be a field and let  $G$  be a reductive group over  $k$ . Fix an integer  $n$  and a quasitrivial torus  $T$  such that  $G^n \times T$  admits a special covering*

$$1 \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow G_0 \times S \rightarrow G^n \times T \rightarrow 1$$

*Then  $G^{\text{sc}}$  satisfies a Hasse Principle over  $k$  if and only if  $G_0$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$ .*

*Proof.* Taking commutator subgroups we have a short exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \tilde{\mu} \rightarrow [G_0 \times S : G_0 \times S] \rightarrow [G^n \times T : G^n \times T] \rightarrow 1$$

Since  $S$  and  $T$  are tori,  $[G_0 \times S : G_0 \times S] \cong [G_0 : G_0]$  and  $[G^n \times T : G^n \times T] = [G^n : G^n]$ . That  $G_0$  is semisimple gives  $[G_0 : G_0] = G_0$ . It is clear that  $[G^n : G^n] = [G : G]^n$  which in turn is  $(G^{\text{ss}})^n$  by definition of  $G^{\text{ss}}$ . Therefore, we have the following short exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \tilde{\mu} \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow (G^{\text{ss}})^n \rightarrow 1$$

where  $\tilde{\mu}$  is some finite group scheme. In particular,  $G_0$  is a simply connected cover of  $(G^{\text{ss}})^n$ . Since  $(G^{\text{sc}})^n$  is certainly a simply connected cover of  $(G^{\text{ss}})^n$ , uniqueness of the simply connected cover of  $(G^{\text{ss}})^n$  gives  $(G^{\text{sc}})^n \cong G_0$ . In particular, the simple factors of  $G^{\text{sc}}$  are the same as the simple factors of  $G_0$  and  $G^{\text{sc}}$  satisfies the Hasse principle over  $k$  if and only if  $G_0$  satisfies the Hasse principle over  $k$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $k$  be a real closed field and let  $G$  be a reductive group over  $k$  which admits a special covering*

$$(4.2.1) \quad 1 \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow G_0 \times S \rightarrow G \rightarrow 1$$

*Let  $L$  be a finite étale  $k$ -algebra. Let  $\delta$  be the first connecting map in Galois Cohomology and let  $N_{L/k}$  denote the corestriction map  $H^1(k \otimes L, \mu) \rightarrow H^1(k, \mu)$ . Then*

$$N_{L/k}(\text{im}(G(k \otimes L) \xrightarrow{\delta_L} H^1(k \otimes L, \mu))) \subset \text{im}(G(k) \xrightarrow{\delta} H^1(k, \mu))$$

*Proof.* Since  $k$  is real closed, there exists finite numbers  $r$  and  $s$  such that  $k \otimes L$  is isomorphic to a product of  $r$  copies of  $k$  and  $s$  copies of  $k(\sqrt{-1})$ . Thus

$$H^1(k \otimes L, \mu) \cong \prod_{r \text{ copies}} H^1(k, \mu) \prod_{s \text{ copies}} H^1(k(\sqrt{-1}), \mu)$$

Since  $k$  is real closed,  $k(\sqrt{-1})$  is algebraically closed,  $H^1(k(\sqrt{-1}), \mu)$  is trivial and  $H^1(k \otimes L, \mu)$  is just a product of  $r$  copies of  $H^1(k, \mu)$ . Therefore,

$$N_{L/k} : H^1(k \otimes L, \mu) \rightarrow H^1(k, \mu)$$

is just the product map

$$\prod_{r \text{ copies}} H^1(k, \mu) \rightarrow H^1(k, \mu)$$

That  $k \otimes L$  is a product of  $r$  copies of  $k$  and  $s$  copies of  $k(\sqrt{-1})$  also gives that

$$G(k \otimes L) \cong \prod_{r \text{ copies}} G(k) \prod_{s \text{ copies}} G(k(\sqrt{-1}))$$

Therefore, the connecting map

$$\prod_{r \text{ copies}} G(k) \prod_{s \text{ copies}} G(k(\sqrt{-1})) \xrightarrow{\delta} \prod_{r \text{ copies}} H^1(k, \mu) \prod_{s \text{ copies}} H^1(k(\sqrt{-1}), \mu)$$

is just the product of the connecting maps

$$G(k) \rightarrow H^1(k, \mu)$$

and

$$G(k(\sqrt{-1})) \rightarrow H^1(k(\sqrt{-1}), \mu)$$

the latter of which is necessarily the trivial map.

So choose

$$(x_1, \dots, x_r, y_1, \dots, y_s) \in G(k \otimes L)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} N_{L/k}(\delta(x_1, \dots, x_r, y_1, \dots, y_s)) &= N_{L/k}(\delta(x_1), \dots, \delta(x_r), \delta(y_1), \dots, \delta(y_s)) \\ &= \delta(x_1) \cdots \delta(x_r) \\ &= \delta(x_1 \cdots x_r) \end{aligned}$$

Since the  $x_i$  were chosen to be in  $G(k)$  for all  $i$ , then  $x_1 \cdots x_r \in G(k)$  and the desired result holds.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $G$  be a reductive group and  $L$  be a finite field extension of  $k$  of odd degree. The kernel of the canonical map  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow H^1(L, G)$  is contained in the kernel of the canonical map  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^1(k_v, G)$ .*

*Proof.* By [10, Chapter 3, Theorem 1.10] each ordering  $v$  of  $k$  extends to an ordering  $w$  of  $L$ , in particular each real closure  $k_v$  is  $L_w$  for some ordering  $w$  on  $L$ . Since the natural map  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow H^1(L_w, G)$  factors through the canonical map  $H^1(k, G) \rightarrow H^1(L, G)$ , the desired result is immediate.  $\square$

We now return to the result which is the main goal of this paper.

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $k$  be a perfect field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$  and let  $G$  be a connected linear algebraic group over  $k$ . Let  $\{L_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  be a set of finite field extensions of  $k$  such that the greatest common divisor of the degrees of the extensions  $[L_i : k]$  is 1. If  $G^{\text{sc}}$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$ , then the canonical map*

$$H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^m H^1(L_i, G)$$

*has trivial kernel.*

*Proof.* By definition of the groups involved, the following sequence is exact

$$(4.4.1) \quad 1 \rightarrow G^u \rightarrow G \rightarrow G^{\text{red}} \rightarrow 1$$

Since  $G^u$  is unipotent,  $H^i(k, G^u)$  is trivial for  $i \geq 1$  and (4.4.1) induces the long exact sequence in Galois Cohomology

$$1 \rightarrow H^1(k, G) \rightarrow H^1(k, G^{\text{red}}) \rightarrow 1$$

which gives that  $H^1(k, G) \cong H^1(k, G^{\text{red}})$ . Thus to prove 4.4 it is sufficient to consider the case where  $G$  is a reductive group. Then fix an integer  $n$  and quasitrivial torus  $T$  such that  $G^n \times T$  admits a special covering

$$1 \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow G_0 \times S \rightarrow G^n \times T \rightarrow 1$$

By functoriality,  $H^1(k, G^n \times T) \cong H^1(k, G)^n \times H^1(k, T)$  and since  $T$  is quasitrivial,  $H^1(k, T) = 1$ . It follows that our result holds for  $G$  if and only if it holds for  $G^n \times T$ . Replacing  $G$  by  $G = G^n \times T$  we assume that  $G$  admits a special covering

$$1 \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow G_0 \times S \rightarrow G \rightarrow 1$$

If  $k$  is a field of positive characteristic,  $\text{cd}(d) = \text{vcd}(k) = 2$ . Since  $k$  has no orderings and by hypothesis  $G^{\text{sc}}$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$  then  $H^1(k, G^{\text{sc}}) = \{1\}$ . In particular  $H^1(k, G_0) = \{1\}$  and the special covering of  $G$  above induces the following commutative diagram with exact rows

$$(4.4.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & \longrightarrow & H^1(k, G) & \xrightarrow{h} & H^2(k, \mu) \\ & & \downarrow q & & \downarrow r \\ 1 & \longrightarrow & \prod_i H^1(L_i, G) & \longrightarrow & \prod_i H^2(L_i, \mu) \end{array}$$

Choose  $\lambda \in \ker(q)$ . By commutativity of the diagram  $h(\lambda) \in \ker(r)$ . A restriction-corestriction argument gives  $r$  has trivial kernel. Thus  $h(\lambda) = \text{point}$ . Then by exactness of the top row of the diagram,  $\lambda = \text{point}$ . (c.f. [3] for the case  $k$  a “good” field of cohomological dimension 2.)

Therefore, we may assume that the characteristic of  $k$  is zero. Fix an index  $i$ . The special covering of  $G$  above induces the following commutative diagram with exact rows where the vertical maps are the restriction maps.

$$(4.4.3) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} H^1(k, \mu) & \xrightarrow{f} & H^1(k, G_0) & \xrightarrow{g} & H^1(k, G) & \xrightarrow{h} & H^2(k, \mu) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow p & & \downarrow q & & \downarrow r \\ \prod H^1(L_i, \mu) & \xrightarrow{f} & \prod H^1(L_i, G_0) & \xrightarrow{g} & \prod H^1(L_i, G) & \longrightarrow & \prod H^2(L_i, \mu) \end{array}$$

Let  $\lambda$  be in  $\ker(q)$ . Taking cores  $\circ$  res we find that  $r$  has trivial kernel and thus by commutativity of (4.4.3),  $\lambda$  is in  $\ker(h)$ . By exactness of the top row, we choose  $\lambda' \in H^1(k, G_0)$  such that  $g(\lambda') = \lambda$ . Write  $p(\lambda') = (\lambda'_{L_i})$ . Since  $g(\lambda'_{L_i}) = \text{point}$ , by exactness of the bottom row of (4.4.3) choose  $\eta_{L_i} \in H^1(L_i, \mu)$  such that  $f(\eta_{L_i}) = \lambda'_{L_i}$ .

For each ordering  $v$  of  $k$ , the special covering of  $G$  above also induces the following commutative diagram with exact rows.

(4.4.4)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} H^1(k, \mu) & \xrightarrow{f} & H^1(k, G_0) & \xrightarrow{g} & H^1(k, G) & \xrightarrow{h} & H^2(k, \mu) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow p' & & \downarrow q' & & \downarrow r' \\ \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^1(k_v, \mu) & \xrightarrow{f} & \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^1(k_v, G_0) & \xrightarrow{g} & \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^1(k_v, G) & \longrightarrow & \prod_{v \in \Omega} H^2(k_v, \mu) \end{array}$$

By Lemma 4.3,  $\lambda$  is in the kernel of  $q'$ . Thus by commutativity of (4.4.4),  $(\lambda'_v) = p'(\lambda')$  is in  $\ker(g)$ . Then by exactness of the bottom row of (4.4.4) choose  $\alpha_v \in H^1(k_v, \mu)$  such that  $f(\alpha_v) = \lambda'_v$ . Let  $(\alpha_v)_{L_i}$  denote the image of  $\alpha_v$  under the canonical map  $H^1(k_v, \mu) \rightarrow H^1(k_v \otimes L_i, \mu)$ . Let  $(\eta_{L_i})_v$  denote the image of  $\eta_{L_i}$  under the canonical map  $H^1(L_i, \mu) \rightarrow H^1(k_v \otimes L_i, \mu)$ .

By choice of  $\alpha_v$  and  $\eta_{L_i}$ ,  $f((\alpha_v)_{L_i}) = (\lambda'_v)_{L_i} = (\lambda'_{L_i})_v = f((\eta_{L_i})_v)$ . In particular,  $f((\alpha_v)_{L_i}(\eta_{L_i})_v^{-1})$  is the point in  $H^1(k_v \otimes L_i, G_0)$ . We have a commutative diagram

$$(4.4.5) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} G(k_v) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & H^1(k_v, \mu) & \xrightarrow{f} & H^1(k_v, G_0) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \prod_i G(k_v \otimes L_i) & \xrightarrow{\delta_{L_i}} & \prod_i H^1(k_v \otimes L_i, \mu) & \xrightarrow{f} & \prod_i H^1(k_v \otimes L_i, G_0) \end{array}$$

Exactness of the bottom row of (4.4.5) gives that  $(\alpha_v)_{L_i}(\eta_{L_i})_v^{-1}$  is in the image of  $\delta_{L_i}$ . Choose  $m_i$  such that  $\sum m_i [L_i : k] = 1$ . Since  $\delta_{L_i}$  is multiplicative, it follows that for each index  $i$ ,  $(\alpha_v)_{L_i}^{m_i}((\eta_{L_i})_v^{-1})^{m_i}$  is in the image of  $\delta_{L_i}$ .

By Lemma 4.2 above, there exists  $\gamma_v$  in  $G(k_v)$  such that

$$\delta(\gamma_v) = \prod_i N_{L_i/k}((\alpha_v)_{L_i}^{m_i}((\eta_{L_i})_v^{-1})^{m_i})$$

Since by restriction-corestriction  $N_{L_i/k}((\alpha_v)_{L_i}^{m_i}) = \alpha_v^{m_i [L_i:k]}$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(\gamma_v) &= \prod_i N_{L_i/k}((\alpha_v)_{L_i}^{m_i}((\eta_{L_i})_v^{-1})^{m_i}) \\ &= \alpha_v^{\sum_i m_i [L_i:k]} \prod_i (N_{L_i/k}(\eta_{L_i})_v^{-1})^{m_i} \\ &= \alpha_v \prod_i (N_{L_i/k}(\eta_{L_i})_v^{-1})^{m_i} \end{aligned}$$

In turn

$$\delta(\gamma_v) \prod_i (N_{L_i/k}(\eta_{L_i})_v)^{m_i} = \alpha_v$$

Since  $f$  is well-defined on the cosets of  $G(k_v)$  in  $H^1(k_v, \mu)$  [8] and the top row of (4.4.5) is exact, it follows that

$$f\left(\prod_i (N_{L_i/k}(\eta_{L_i})_v)^{m_i}\right) = f(\alpha_v)$$

By choice of  $\alpha_v$  the latter is  $\lambda'_v$ . Since  $G^{sc}$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$ , Lemma 4.1 gives that  $G_0$  satisfies a Hasse principle over  $k$ . In particular, the map



$H^1(k, G_0) \rightarrow \prod_v H^1(k_v, G_0)$  is injective, and since  $f(\prod_i (N_{L_i/k}(\eta_{L_i}))^{m_i})_v = \lambda'_v$  for all  $v$ , then

$$f\left(\prod_i (N_{L_i/k}(\eta_{L_i}))^{m_i}\right) = \lambda'$$

Taking  $g$  as in (4.4.3) above

$$g\left(f\left(\prod_i (N_{L_i/k}(\eta_{L_i}))^{m_i}\right)\right) = g(\lambda')$$

Then by exactness of the top row of (4.4.3),  $\lambda = g(\lambda') = \text{point}$ .  $\square$

Applying [2, Theorem 10.1] a Serre twist we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 4.5.** *Let  $k$  be a perfect field of virtual cohomological dimension  $\leq 2$ . Let  $\{L_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  be a set of finite field extensions of  $k$  such that the greatest common divisor of the degrees of the extensions  $[L_i : k]$  is 1. Let  $G$  be a connected linear algebraic group over  $k$ . If the simple factors of  $G^{\text{sc}}$  are of classical type, type  $F_4$  or type  $G_2$  then the canonical map*

$$H^1(k, G) \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^m H^1(L_i, G)$$

*is injective.*

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